

**HO RM H.M.A. Ships and Shore Establishments**  
(As at 11 September 2004)

Listed below are the names of HM Ships and shore establishments in which HO RMs served prior to December 1945

S denotes ship. EH denotes HMA named shore establishment. EG denotes a shore establishment by geographical location. A denotes a geographic area. See footnote #4 for other abbreviations.

2 MRS

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Adelaide S Improved Town class light cruiser

Aitape EG North east coast Papua New Guinea ca Lat 3 deg S

Alexhaven EG Near Madang (See Madang)

Ambon EG Small Indonesian island in the Moluccas group west of Irian Jaya and south of Halmaheras

Ararat S Bathurst class minesweeper

Armidale S Bathurst class minesweeper

Arunta S Tribal class destroyer

Assault EG Amphibious Operations Training Establishment. Port Stephens NSW

Australia S County class heavy cruiser

Balikpapan EG South east coast of Borneo

Barcoo S River class frigate

Barwon S River class frigate

Basilisk EH Port Moresby

Bataan S Tribal class destroyer

Bathurst S Bathurst class minesweeper

Belconnen EG Canberra. (Naval W/T station, not HMAS as was Harman)

Belian (Bellieu) Island EG (near Madang)

Benalla S Bathurst class minesweeper

Bendigo S Bathurst class minesweeper

Biak EG Indonesian island ca Lat 2 deg S Long 136 deg E

Bingera S Coaster. Served as ancillary training vessel

Booby Island EG

Borneo A Large island part of Indonesia

Broome S Bathurst class minesweeper

Brisbane S Town class light cruiser

Brunei A A geographic area, and independent sultanate, to the north and west of the Borneo Island

Bunbury S Bathurst class minesweeper

Bundaberg S Bathurst class Minesweeper

Bungaree S Merchant ship converted to auxiliary minelayer

Burdekin S River class Frigate

Basilisk EG Port Moresby

Cairns S Bathurst class minesweeper

Canberra S County class heavy cruiser

Canonbury

Carpentaria EH Thursday Island

Castlemaine S Bathurst class minesweeper

Celebes A Large island east of Borneo and part of Indonesia. Aka Sulawesi

Cerberus EH Crib Point Victoria

Challenger

Charon S Merchant ship 3,703 tons. Served as victualling stores issue ship

Chinampa S 52 feet 60 tons stores lighter

China Straits

Colac S Bathurst class minesweeper

Condamine S River class frigate  
 Coonawarra EH Darwin  
 Cootamundra S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Coral Sea A Area south of PNG and east of Cape York peninsula  
 Cowra S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Culgoa S River class frigate  
 Deloraine S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Derwent EH Originallt Cerberus VI. Became Derwent 1/8/1940. Became Huon 1/3/1942. Hobart  
 Diamantina S River class frigate  
 Doomba S Abadare Class Minesweeper, ex HMS Wexford. 750 tons  
 Dreger Harbour EG East coast PNG ca Lat 5 S, Long 145 E  
 Dubbo S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Ecucha S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Emerald S ex WW1 tug. Sold 1923. Requisitioned 1939 for service as Examination Vessel. 189 tons  
 Falie S Coaster converted to serve as stores carrier  
 Faye C S Seine Trawler. Served as Channel Patrol, ASV & Radar Maintenance vessel. 51tons  
 Fremantle S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Garden Island EG Sydney  
 Gascoyne S River class destroyer  
 Gawler S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Geelong S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Geraldton S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Gilolo EG Morotai, Halmaheras Islands  
 Goulburn S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Gladstone S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Glenelg S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Gumleaf S Seine Trawler. Served as AS maintenance vessel and Combined Ops training vessel  
 Gunbar S Coaster 480 tons. Served as Aux. Minesweeper & BDV  
 Gympie S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Halmahera A Indonesain island group on the equator between Long 127 & 129 deg E  
 Harman EH Canberra  
 Hawkesbury S River class frigate  
 Hobart S Modified Leander class light cruiser  
 Hollandia EG North coast Indonesian New Guinea (Irian Jaya) near PNG border  
 Horsham S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Huon EH Hobart  
 Inverell S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Inverloch EG Located at Venus Bay, on Eyre Peninsula SA. Ca Lat 33 S Long 134 E.  
  
 Ipswich S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Japen Island EG Small Indonesian island in Cenderawasih Bay off north coast of New Guinea. Aka Yapen Island  
 Jon Jim S Trawler. Served as Anti Submarine Maintenance vessel  
 Junee S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Kalgoorlie S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Kanimbla S Armed Merchant Cruiser  
 Kapunda S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Katoomba S Troop and supply ship. Also Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Kiama S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Kuramia S Timber passenger ferry. 335 tons. Served as BDV  
 Kuranda EH Commissioned shore establishment at Cairns  
 Kuttabul S Depot ship. .Moored in Sydney Harbour and torpedoed by Japanese midget submarine  
 Kybra S Merchant ship requisitioned and converted as a traniing ship for Radar Plotters  
 Lachlan S River class frigate  
 Ladava EH Shore establishment Milne Bay (see Milne Bay)

Lae EG East coast Papua New Guinea ca Lat. 6 deg. South  
 Langemak (Langemark)  
 Lanka  
 Larrakia S 12 tons motor vessel. Served as CPB, BDV, ASR, EV  
 Latrobe S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Launceston S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Leeuwin S Fremantle WA  
 Leichhardt EG Inner Sydney suburb. Stores and radar/radio repairs  
 Lismore S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Lithgow S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Lonsdale EH Port Melbourne  
 Lusair EG Commissioned shore establishment at Torokina Solomon Islands 5/3/45 to 20/10/45  
 Luzon A Northernmost main island of The Philippines  
 Macquarie S River class frigate  
 Madang EG East coast New Guinea ca Lat 5 deg S Long 145 deg E  
 Magnetic EH Townsville  
 Maitland EH Commissioned shore establishment at Newcastle NSW 1/8/1940 to 21/9/46  
 Manooora S Armed Merchant Cruiser  
 Manus Island EG Part of Bismark Archipelago ca Long 146 East Lat 2 deg South  
 Maryborough S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Media 23  
 Meikin  
 Meios Woendi EG Small Indonesian island in Cenderawasih Bay near Japen Island  
 Melville EH Darwin  
 Merauke EG South coast Indonesian New Guinea (Irian Jaya) ca Lat 9 deg S Long 140 deg E  
 Merkur S 6,000 ton motor vessel used as a stores replenishment vessel. Mixed MN and RAN crew  
 Mildura S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Milne Bay EG Extreme SE coast Papua New Guinea  
 ML427 S See Note 1  
 ML804 S See Note 1  
 ML811 S See Note 1  
 ML818 S See note 1  
 Morotai EG Island in the Halmahera Group ca Lat 3 deg N Long 128 deg E  
 Moreton EH Brisbane  
 Murchison S River class frigate  
 Napier S N class destroyer  
 Nauru EG Independent Pacific nation  
 Nepal S N class destroyer  
 Nizam S N class destroyer  
 Navy Office EG St Kilda Road Melbourne  
 Nirimba EH Sydney western suburbs  
 Noumea EG On island of New Caledonia ca Lat 22 deg S 166 deg E  
 Ocean Island  
 Olive Cam S Trawler 291 tons. Served as AMS  
 Oro Bay EG East coast PNG near Pepondetta  
 Parkes S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Penguin EH Middle Head Sydney  
 Ping Wo S Yangse river boat  
 Pirie S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Platypus S Submarine depot ship, destroyer depot ship  
 Port Moresby EG Capital PNG  
 Quadrant S Q class destroyer  
 Quiberon S Q class destroyer  
 Quickmatch S Q class destroyer  
 Rabaul EG City of East New Britain, ca Lat 4 deg S Long 152 deg E

Rockhampton S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Rushcutter EH Rushcutters Bay, Sydney  
 Saidor  
 Samarai EG Small island extreme SE of Papua New Guinea  
 Shepparton S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Shoalhaven S River class frigate  
 Shropshire S County class heavy cruiser  
 Strahan S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Station 284 EG Non commissioned shore establishment RDF school at Sydney South Head  
 Stawell S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Sterna S 40 ton Trawler. Served as Radar Repair ship. Formerly GPV 952  
 Stuart S Scott class Destroyer  
 Sultan S  
 Swan S Grimsby class sloop  
 Tarakan EG Island close to east coast of Borneo  
 Tarangau EH Drega Harbour, then Manus Island  
 Torokina EG Solomon Islands  
 Tawi Tawi Island EG Small Indonesian island in the Java Sea S & E of Borneo  
 Three Cheers S Seine Trawler. Served as stores carrier, diving and pilot boat  
 Thursday Island EG Cape York Peninsula  
 Tingara S Training ship for boys  
 Torrens EH Birkenhead South Australia  
 Townsville S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Vendetta S V&W Class Destroyer  
 Vampire S V&W Class Destroyer  
 Voyager S V&W Class Destroyer  
 Wagga S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Wewak EG East coast PNG ca Lat 4 deg S Long 143 deg E  
 Whang Pu (Wang Pu) S Yangse river boat  
 Warramunga S Tribal class destroyer  
 Warnambool S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Warrego S Improved Grimsby class sloop  
 Wednesday Island EG Cape York Peninsula  
 Warrego S Improved Grimsby class sloop  
 Waterhen S V&W class Destroyer  
 Watson EH South Head Sydney  
 Westralia S Armed Merchant Cruiser  
 Whyalla S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Wilcannia S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Willis Island EG East of Cairns on Long 150 deg E  
 Wollongong S Bathurst class minesweeper  
 Yandra S Merchant ship requisitioned and converted as a training ship for Radar Plotters.  
 Yarroma S 12 ton motor launch. Used as CPB & with NAP.  
 Yunnan S 2812 tons steamer. Used as ASIS.

#### NOTES

1. 35 Fairmile B Motor Launches were constructed 1943-44. Displacement 75 tons. LOA 112 feet. Beam 17.1 feet. Draught 5.4 feet. Speed 20 knots (ca 36 Kmph). Range 840 miles at 12 knots. Crew 16. Armament one 2 pounder, one 20 mm, two .303 vickers, two .303 Lewis, two DCTs, fourteen DCs.

2. Bathurst class minesweepers were also known as Corvettes. Of the 56 of these ships built for R.A.N. service, HORMs served in 49.

3. Sea going ships listed were all in commission prior to 1945. Later ships bearing the same name eg Voyager, Vendetta are not listed.

#### 4. Abbreviations:

AMS	Armed Merchant Ship
AS	Anti Submarine
ASIS	Armament Stores Issuing Ship
ASR	Air Sea Rescue
BDV	Boom Defence Vessel
CPB	Channel Patrol Boat
DC	Depth Charge
DCT	Depth Charge Thrower
EV	Examination Vessel
GPV	General Purpose Vessel
LAT	Latitude
LOA	Length Overall
Long	Longitude
MN	Merchant Navy
NAP	Naval Auxiliary Patrol
PNG	Papua NewGuinea
RDF	Radio Direction Finding
WREN	Women
W/T	Wireless Telegraphy